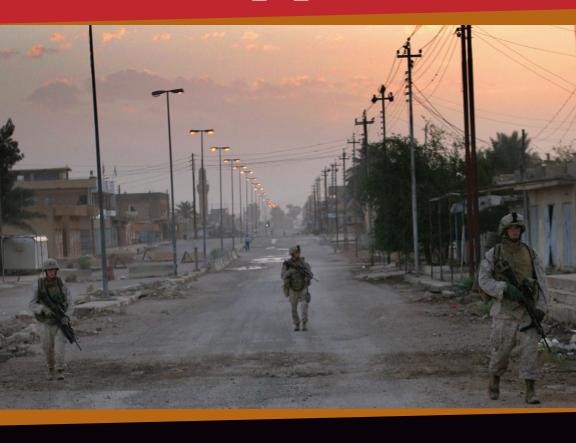
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Marine Corps Almanac

This chapter provides a brief snapshot of the Marine Corps today. It includes a brief description of our Marines' demographics, our fiscal posture, and the age of some key equipment. As such it gives some insight into the resources that we fuse together to create one of the world's premier fighting forces.